

## UNCONSCIOUS MAN FOOD FOR FLAMES

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With an Axe—Details of What  
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The condition of James Edward Cosby, the young man who was almost suffocated and burned to death at his home, No. 494 West Marshall Street, Sunday morning, is somewhat improved, though he is not yet out of danger. His physician, Dr. C. B. Blanton, says he cannot tell the extent of Mr. Cosby's injuries, but that he has hopes that his patient will be able to be out within the next week or ten days.

Mr. Cosby, who is a clerk and stenographer in the local establishment of the National Cash Register Company, No. 809 East Broad Street, was about to make his toilet in order that he might attend church Sunday morning, when an accident happened that came near costing him his life. He was on the verge of taking a bath, and was actually in the tub. The gas stove in the bath-room had been lighted, in order that the room might be heated. When Mr. Cosby had gotten into the tub he noticed that the gas was escaping; he endeavored to raise up and fell backward in a faint. It was the last the young man knew.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Cosby got out of the bath-tub and went to the gas jet to turn off the gas. In attempting to do this he fell over the stove, and the latter, almost red hot, tilted over and rested on his left side. The pain was so intense that the young man, though unconscious, groaned and almost shrieked.

HIS CRIES HEARD.

One of his sisters heard his cries and rushed to the bath-room. She found the door locked from the inside. The girl ran for an axe and broke the door open. A ghastly spectacle greeted her as she entered the small apartment. She saw her brother prostrate on the floor, with the flesh on his left side sizzling from the heat of the gas stove, which was resting against the body. Miss Cosby quickly pushed the stove away and called for help.

Others about the house rushed to the assistance of the young man, who, still unconscious, was carried to his bed and Dr. Blanton, the family physician, was summoned.

Dr. Blanton found Mr. Cosby in quite a serious condition not only from his burns, but from the effects of having inhaled so much gas. The young man was treated and the physician declined to say whether or not he thought Mr. Cosby had a good chance to recover. It was almost impossible to tell to what extent he had been injured internally.

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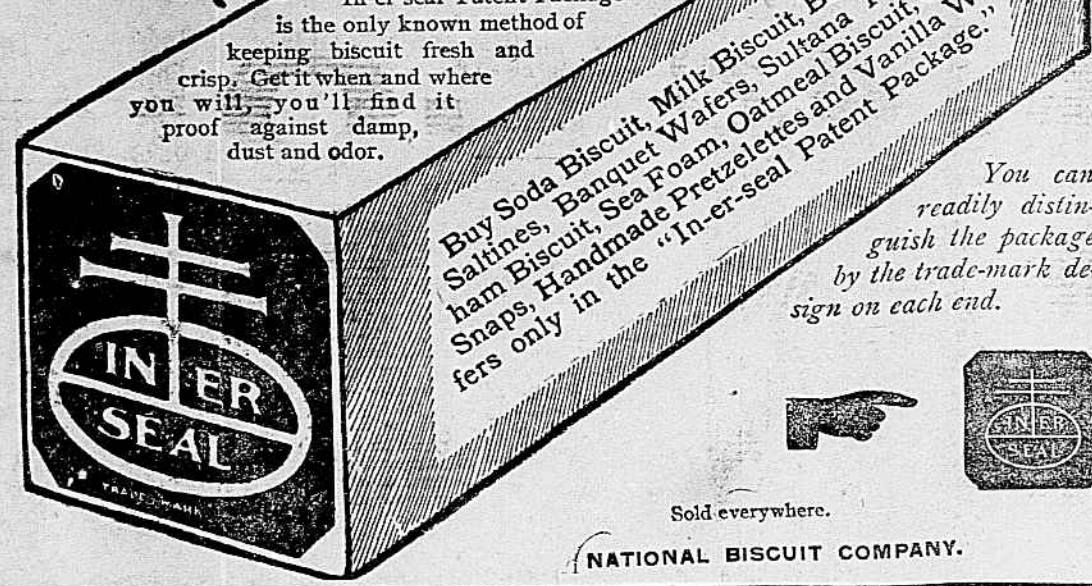
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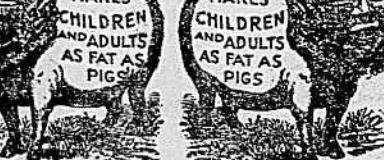
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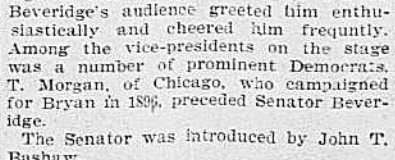
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Active in Politics for More Than Half  
a Century—Was Left an Orphan  
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Secretary of State.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22.—Hon. John Sherman, former representative in the House for a long term, and a member of the Senate and twice holding cabinet positions, died at his residence in this city at 6:45 o'clock this morning, in the 78th year of his age. His death had been expected for some days and loving friends gave him their unremitting care and attention to the end.

The immediate cause of death was described as brain exhaustion incident to extreme weakness due to old age and to several attacks of sickness, from which he has suffered during the past year and a half.

Since Saturday afternoon Mr. Sherman had been for the most of the time unconscious, rallying partially at intervals when some slight nourishment was given him. Yesterday afternoon, however, the approaching end was manifest and he failed to regain consciousness after 3 o'clock, passing away peacefully just after dawn broke. About 1 o'clock this morning he rallied somewhat from the stupor and turned himself over in bed but after that he gradually sank until the end came.

AT HIS HOME.

Secretary Sherman's demise occurred in the handsome home on K Street, which he occupied eight years ago. It is a large double structure, with white stone front and the hall running through the middle. The house faces on Franklin Square, the prettiest reservation and park in the capital city. Some weeks ago the secretary decided this valuable property to Mrs. McKim. The Secretary was a large holder of real estate in this city, having invested extensively in that line from time to time during his residence here. Conservative estimates of his wealth, place it at a round million dollars.

Arrangements for the funeral will be

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral will be held at the Sherman residence Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Alexander MacKay Smith, rector of St. John's, officiating.

Services will be held in Mansfield on Thursday, which the President will attend. It is known that Mr. Sherman left a will, but no information as to the contents or even when it will be probated will be obtainable until after the funeral.

The President this afternoon issued a proclamation announcing the death of Mr. Sherman and paying tribute to his memory.

The proclamation directs that on the day of the funeral the Executive offices of the United States display the national flag at half-mast, and that the representatives of the United States in foreign countries shall pay in like manner appropriate tribute to the illustrious dead for a period of ten days.

SKETCH OF HIS LIFE.

Former Secretary of State John Sherman, was born in Lancaster, Ohio, on the 10th of May, 1822, and was left an orphan at an early age. His early schooling did not extend over many years. At fourteen, he was prepared for the sophomore class, but he went no further at college, preferring to become self-supporting. He was first employed in surveying, and after that, in 1841, he studied law with his brother Charles, and was admitted to the bar. He was a delegate to the Whig convention, which in 1848, nominated Zachary Taylor for President, and in 1852 to the convention which nominated Winfield Scott. He first entered Congress as a representative in 1855. This was about the opening of the eventful period leading up to the war of the secession, and he gained credit through his participation in the great debates growing out of the slavery question. He served in the House with distinction, until he entered the Senate in 1861.

CANDIDATE FOR SPEAKERSHIP.

In 1859 he was the Republican candidate for Speaker and came within three votes of his election, but failed of election after eight weeks of balloting, because he could not satisfy the pro-slavery demands which a few Southern Whigs made upon him. It was through his efforts that the law authorizing treasury notes, was passed in 1860 and adequate provisions were made for the support of the Government.

On the resignation of Salmon P. Chase, he was elected to the United States Senate, taking his seat in 1861, and he served in that body until 1871, when he retired from Congress and became Secretary of the Treasury under President Hayes, whose elevation to the presidency he had strongly advocated. In 1881 he again returned to the Senate, retaining the seat there from that time until McKinley became President, when he re-

signed to enter the Cabinet as Secretary of State.

RAISED A BRIGADE.

At the recess of Congress during the Civil War he raised a brigade, equipping 2,300 men largely at his own expense. During the trying period of that war Mr. Sherman's services in Congress were of great value in maintaining and strengthening the result of the government. He was author of the refunding act passed by Congress in 1870, and he was chairman of the committee which constructed the act of 1874 providing for the redemption of specie payments on the 1st of January, 1875. By that last named date he, as Secretary of the Treasury, had so successfully conducted the finances of the country for about two years that there was about \$140,000,000 of gold in the treasury. There was little demand for gold for notes under the provisions of the redemption act. While in the Senate he was for a long time chairman of the finance committee. McKinley's cabinet he was chairman of the committee on foreign relations. He also served a term as President pro tem. of the Senate. He was a candidate for the presidential nomination before the Republican convention of 1880, of 1884 and 1888, being at the latter convention the leading candidate, with a vote as high as 249, until Harrison suddenly passed him and got the nomination.

He was a member of President McKinley's cabinet, but a short time when he resigned on account of ill health. He resigned from the cabinet April 25, 1898, just before the war with Spain. He soon recovered his health and retired to private life, residing most of the time in Washington, and devoting himself to study and literary work, his design being to supplement an historical work he had published under the title of "Thirty Years in Congress."

Elevator's Fatal Fall.

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Odorous Flowers.

By far the greatest number of flowers have no smell at all. For instance, of the 400 species of flowers in Europe only about 10 per cent. give forth any odor. The commonest flowers are white ones, and of these only one-sixth are fragrant.

To Clean Silk Ties.

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